

In the Claims

Without prejudice, please amend claim 1 and add new claims 10 to 16, as follows:

1. (Currently amended) An injection molded product made of a compost degradable thermoplastic molding composition comprising
 - (A) 20 to 98.8 wt. % of at least one polyester being selected from the group consisting of: an aromatic polyester copolymer (a) having repeating units comprising an acid component and a glycol component, wherein the acid component comprises about 50 to 90 mol% of terephthalic acid, about 0.2 to about 6 mol% of sulfonic acid metal salt, and about 4 to 49.8 mol% of aliphatic dicarboxylic acid; wherein the glycol component comprises about 50 to 99.9 mol % of ethylene glycol and about 0.1 to 50 mol% of diethylene glycol; and one or more polyester copolymers selected from the group consisting of:
 - a polyester copolymer (b) prepared by copolymerization with said copolymer (a) with polyalkylene glycol [[,]] ;
 - a branched polyester copolymer (c) prepared by polycondensation of said copolymer (a) with polyalkylene glycol [[,]] ; and [[,]]
 - a polyester copolymer (d) having repeating units comprising aromatic dicarboxylic acids and a glycol component; wherein the weight proportion of the aromatic dicarboxylic acids in copolymer (d) is from 0 to 70 parts by weight per hundred parts of polyester (d); and with the proviso that the mol% of said aromatic dicarboxylic acids of said polyester copolymer (d) is less than the mol% of the carboxylic acid content of said copolymers (a), (b), and (c);
 - (B) 1 to 60 wt.% of material selected from the group consisting of reinforcements and fillers;
 - (C) 0. 1 to 7 wt.% of crystallization accelerator;
 - (D) 1 to 60 wt.% of at least one flame retardant selected from the group consisting of an inorganic flame retardant, a phosphorous-based flame retardant and a phenolic polymer; and
 - (E) 0.1 to 5 wt.% of lubricant.

2. (Previously presented) The injection molded product of claim 1, in which the inorganic flame retardant is an inorganic hydroxide.
3. (Original) The injection molded product of claim 1, in which the melting point of the molded product is not lower than 170°C and not more than 240°C.
4. (Previously presented) The injection molded product of any one of claims 1 to 3 in which the molding composition is a blend of said copolymers (a), (b), (c) and (d).
5. (Previously presented) The injection molded product of claim 1 wherein said product has heat distortion at temperature not lower than 80°C and the crystallization speed is faster than 1.2 min. at 120°C.
6. (Cancelled)
7. (Previously presented) The injection molded product of claim 2 wherein said product has heat distortion at temperature not lower than 80°C and the crystallization speed is faster than 1.2 min. at 120°C.
8. (Previously presented) The injection molded product of claim 3 wherein said product has heat distortion at temperature not lower than 80°C and the crystallization speed is faster than 1.2 min. at 120°C.
9. (Previously presented) The injection molded product of claim 4 wherein said product has heat distortion at temperature not lower than 80°C and the crystallization speed is faster than 1.2 min. at 120°C.
10. (New) The injection molded product of claim 2, in which the inorganic flame retardant is selected from the group consisting of Mg(OH)₂, Al(OH)₃, CaCO₃ and BaSO₄.

11. (New) A compost degradable thermoplastic molding composition comprising
 - (A) 20 to 98.8 wt. % of an aromatic polyester copolymer (a) having repeating units comprising an acid component and a glycol component, wherein the acid component comprises about 50 to 90 mol% of terephthalic acid, about 0.2 to about 6 mol% of sulfonic acid metal salt, and about 4 to 49.8 mol% of aliphatic dicarboxylic acid; wherein the glycol component comprises about 50 to 99.9 mol % of ethylene glycol and about 0.1 to 50 mol% of diethylene glycol; and one or more polyester copolymers selected from the group consisting of:
 - a polyester copolymer (b) prepared by copolymerization with said copolymer (a) with polyalkylene glycol;
 - a branched polyester copolymer (c) prepared by polycondensation of said copolymer (a) with polyalkylene glycol; and
 - a polyester copolymer (d) having repeating units comprising aromatic dicarboxylic acids and a glycol component; wherein the weight proportion of the aromatic dicarboxylic acids in copolymer (d) is from 0 to 70 parts by weight per hundred parts of polyester (d); and with the proviso that the mol% of said aromatic dicarboxylic acids of said polyester copolymer (d) is less than the mol% of the carboxylic acid content of said copolymers (a), (b), and (c);
 - (B) 1 to 60 wt.% of material selected from the group consisting of reinforcements and fillers;
 - (C) 0. 1 to 7 wt.% of crystallization accelerator;
 - (D) 1 to 60 wt.% of at least one flame retardant selected from the group consisting of an inorganic flame retardant, a phosphorous-based flame retardant and a phenolic polymer; and
 - (E) 0.1 to 5 wt.% of lubricant.
12. (New) The compost degradable thermoplastic molding composition of claim 11, in which the inorganic flame retardant is an inorganic hydroxide.

13. (New) The compost degradable thermoplastic molding composition of claim 12, in which the inorganic flame retardant is selected from the group consisting of Mg(OH)₂, Al(OH)₃, CaCO₃ and BaSO₄.
14. (New) The compost degradable thermoplastic molding composition of claim 11, in which the melting point is not lower than 170°C and not more than 240°C.
15. (New) The compost degradable thermoplastic molding composition of claim 11 that is a blend of said copolymers (a), (b), (c) and (d).
16. (New) The compost degradable thermoplastic molding composition of claim 11 having a heat distortion at temperature not lower than 80°C and a crystallization speed faster than 1.2 min. at 120°C.